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SUBJ: MILITARY RELATIONS WITH BRAZIL

REF: (S) BRASILIA 1109

1. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM CHMN US DELEGATION JBUSMC TO COMMANDANT US MARINE CORPS, SENT FEBRUARY 4, 1978, HAS JUST COME TO THE EMBASSY'S ATTENTION. THE MESSAGE IS RELEVANT TO TOPIC OF SERVICE CHIEF VISITS TO BRAZIL (REFTEL).

2. QUOTE: SVADM CORTEZ, COMMANDANT, BRAZILIAN MARINE CORPS, REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE RELAYED TO GEN. WILSON:

- DEAR GENERAL WILSON:

BEST REGARDS, AFTER HAVING ASSUMED THE COMMAND OF THE BRAZILIAN MARINE CORPS, I HAVE THE PLEASURE TO ADDRESS YOU IN ORDER TO REAFIRM MY SINCERE PERSONAL INTENTION
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TO KEEP THE BEST RELATIONSHIP OF SINCERE COMRADERIE BETWEEN THE FORCE UNDER MY COMMAND, AND THE ELITE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS. ON THIS OPPORTUNITY, I AM VERY HAPPY TO REITERATE MY THANKS FOR YOUR KIND AND SIGNIFICANT MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON MY ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND.

IT HAS COME TO MY ATTENTION THAT YOU HAVE ACCEPTED
AN INVITATION TO VISIT ARGENTINA IN APRIL, AND ALSO
THAT YOU PLAN TO VISIT COLOMBIA.

THEREFORE, IT WOULD BE A GREAT HONOR FOR US IF
YOU SHOULD STOP IN OUR COUNTRY DURING YOUR TRIP,
WHERE, BESIDES OTHER COMMITMENTS WHICH MIGHT BE
OF INTEREST TO YOU, A VISIT TO THE BRAZILIAN MARINE
CORPS HEADQUARTERS COULD BE INCLUDED IN THE SCHEDULE.
I AM CERTAIN THAT YOUR PRESENCE WILL BE A POWERFUL
INCENTIVE TO THE STRENGTHENING OF THE HAND OF
FRIENDSHIP THAT HAVE TRADITIONALLY UNITED THE
MARINE CORPS OF OUR COUNTRIES.

LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING AN ANSWER FROM YOU
VERY SOON, AND TO THE OPPORTUNITY OF BEING YOUR
HOST, I THANK YOU AGAIN. CORDIALLY, DOMINGOS DE
MATTOS CORTEZ, VADM, COMMANDANT, BRAZILIAN MARINE
CORPS.

3. THE ABOVE MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED IN LETTER FORMAT
AND IS BEING SENT BY AIRMAIL. END QUOTE.

4. COMMENT. WE BELIEVE THAT, ON ITS FACE, VADMIRAL CORTEZ'S LETTER
IS CONSISTENT WITH CNO ADMIRAL ESPELLET'S RECENT INDICATION
TO DATT THAT INFORMAL VISITS BY US SERVICE
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CHIEFS WOULD POSE NO PROBLEM FOR THE GOB (REFTEL,
PARA 3). CORTEZ'S LETTER APPEARS CAREFULLY TO REFER TO A
STOPOVER EN ROUTE TO OR FROM OTHER COUNTRIES AND
MAKES NO SUGGESTION OF AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO BRAZIL.
EMBASSY SEES NO REASON FOR NOT INCLUDING BRAZIL STOP IF
GENERAL WILSON IS INTERESTED.
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